## AGENDA

FOR THE

#### FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING AND CONFERENCE

OF THE

## National Council of Women of Canada

May 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th and 21st, 1898.

OTTAWA.

## MONDAY, MAY 16th

## MEETING OF FINANCE COMMITTEE, 11 A.M.

#### NORMAL SCHOOL.

It will be remembered that every Council has been requested to appoint one of its members to act on the Finance Committee of the National Council. That Committee, meets only very rarely, but each member considers herself bound to consider the financial position of the National Council, and to do her utmost to obtain Patrons and Annual Subscribers. It is hoped that this meeting of the Finance Committee may be well attended, so that a satisfactory Report may be made to the Executive in the afternoon.

## MEETING OF EXECUTIVE, 3 P.M.

#### GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

(Open only to Members of the Executive, that is, the Presidents of Local Councils and Nationally Federated Societies, together with the elected General Officers.)

## RECEPTION IN THE EVENING.

GIVEN BY THEIR EXCELLENCIES THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL AND THE COUNTESS OF ABERDEEN.

#### 9 P.M. TO 12 P.M.

All Delegates and their Substitutes, and Members of Local Councils and National Societies coming to Ottawa for the Council are heartily invited to this Reception,

along with any members (ladies or gentlemen) of their families who may be accompanying them, or with their host and hostesses with whom they may be staying.

If any such Delegates or Members of Council do not receive cards of invitation, they are requested to apply for the same to Miss G. Dallas, by letter addressed to Government House, Ottawa.

The President and Secretary and Delegates of all Affiliated Societies of the Local Council of Ottawa, are also invited to meet the Delegates at this Reception, with the gentlemen of their families.

All members of the Ottawa Executive and the Members of the Hospitality Committee, with the gentlemen of their families, are also invited.

Ladies are requested to come in evening or morning dress, as may be most convenient, but without bonnets. Gentlemen are requested to come in evening dress.

Guests are requested to bring their cards of invitation with them to show at the door.

It is hoped that this Reception will be the means of making the representatives of our Local Councils personally acquainted with one another, and with the fraternal Delegates of other National Councils who may be present.

## NOTES

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## ARRANGEMENTS

- I. Letters of introduction have to be given to each delegate by her own Local Council or National Society to the National Council, according to our rules. Each President of a Local Council or National Society have been furnished with forms for these, and each delegate is requested to deliver her letter of introduction to Mrs. Willoughby Cummings, the Corresponding Secretary.
- 2. Each delegate is asked to carefully read over the Constitution and Standing Orders of the National Council as given in the small Annual Reports, as familiarity with these greatly helps the proceedure of business.
- 3. Reserved seats will be kept for Delegates in the front of the Hall during the Council Meetings and Conference. (See Rule 7 in Section I of Standing Orders.)

- 4. Other members of the National and Local Councils or members of the Societies affiliated to these Councils will occupy the remainder of the body of the Hall.
- 5. It will be recollected that all members of Council (that is, members of the affiliated Societies of any Local Council or National Society) can take part in the discussions, but that only Delegates can vote.
- 6. Each Session of the Council will commence promptly at the hour appointed. Delegates are earnestly requested to be in their places punctually.
- 7. It is proposed that ten minutes be allowed for the mover of each resolution; five minutes for the seconder, and three minutes for all other speakers, except for the mover of an amendment, to whom it is proposed to allot five minutes.
- 8. A time-keeper will be appointed to strike a bell when the alloted time has elapsed, and no speaker can continue after this except by the unanimous request of the Council.
- 9. All who intend to speak on any subject will be requested to send up their names to the Chair at the beginning of each new discussion; and it is earnestly urged that each speaker should come to the platform, as by this means only, can the members of Council have an equal chance of hearing what is said.
- 10. Delegates will notice that the pages of the Verbatim Report of last year are given in the Agenda, where reports of the discussions are given on subjects which come up again this year. It will be very helpful if delegates will refer to these discussions, and if possible, come provided with a copy of the Verbatim Report so that needless discussion may not be repeated, in order that continuity in our work may be encouraged.
- 11. Delegates are requested to come with instructions as to how many Verbatim Reports will be required by their Council.
- 12. THE HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE of the Local Council of Women of Ottawa is composed of the following members:—

Mrs. Tilton, Convener, 37 Gloucester Street.

Mrs. Egan, Secretary, 30 Cartier Street.

The following ladies have undertaken to act as Conveners of various Sub-Committees of the Ottawa Hospitality Committee and to them should be referred any questions coming under their respective Departments:—

DECORATION AND HALL COMMITTEE.

Convener, Mrs. F. McDougal, 40 Mackenzie Avenue.

RECEPTION COMMITTEE.

Convener, Mrs. Herridge, 293 Somerset Street.

ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE.

Convener, Lady Ritchie, 285 Metcalfe Street.

BILLETING COMMITTEE.

Convener, Mrs. Asa Gordon, 146 Daly Avenue.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Convener, Mrs. Larmonth, 116 Lisgar Street.

PRINTING AND PRESS COMMITTEE.

Convener, Mrs. Gough, 239 Theodore Street.

The Members of the Reception Committee have kindly undertaken to meet the Delegates on their arrival at Ottawa and at the Hall each day.

- 13. The Corresponding Secretary will send to each Council a number of ribbon badges with the name of each Council or National Society printed on the badge and every delegate is requested kindly to wear this ribbon on arrival at Ottawa and also during the Meetings of Council in order to enable the Reception Committee to recognize them on arrival and for the general convenience of the Members of the Council.
- 14. Delegates are also requested to have their Railway Certificate at hand on arrival at Ottawa and to hand them immediately to the Members of the Reception Committee. Other persons coming to Ottawa for the Council Meetings are requested to hand their Railway Certificates as soon as possible to the Reception Committee.
- 15. It may be well again to remind all delegates and other persons a tending our Council meetings, that if they apply to the Railway Agent at their station for a certificate that they intend going to Ottawa for the Council meeting, that they will be entitled to a return ticket for a fare and a third—that is, that they will pay full fare for their ticket to Ottawa, but that they will obtain a return ticket for a third of the usual fare, on presentation of the certificate signed by the Secretary of the National Council. On this occasion the Railways have been good enough to grant this privilege to all our delegates, members and visitors irrespective of numbers and further, to allow ten days after the close of the meetings during which the privilege can be used.
- 16. The Ottawa Hospitality Committee have made arrangements 'for a comfortable luncheon to be available daily for the delegates at 25 cents each, at the Young Women's Christian Association Building, which is situated quite conveniently near the Normal School. On Friday the Ottawa Local Council desire to have the pleasure of inviting the delegates to luncheon as their guests. The Ottawa Electric Co. have kindly offered a free ride over their line to the delegates and to a certain number of themembers of the Ottawa Local Council. The cars will be in readiness to start for the trip at 4 p.m. on Friday afternoon May 20th. Arrangements will be made for those delegates who desire to visit the Houses of Parliament while in session.

## TUESDAY, MAY 17th

## COUNCIL MEETING, 10 A.M. TO 1.30 P.M.

CONVOCATION HALL OF THE NORMAL SCHOOL.

- 10.co. Silent Prayer.
- 10.05. Roll Call of Affiliated Local Councils and National Societies.
- 10.10. Address of Welcome from the Ottawa Local Council, presented by Lady Ritchie as Vice-President on behalf of the President.
- 10.15. President's Opening Remarks and Reply to Address of Welcome.
- 10.20. Announcement of Arrangements made by the Ottawa Hospitality Committee.
- 10.25. Minutes of Preceding Meeting of Council.
- 10.30. Correspondence.
- 10.35. Appointment of Returning Officers and Tellers for Voting.
- 10.45. Annual Report of Corresponding Secretary.
- 10.50. Annual Financial Statement of Treasurer.
- 10.55. Appointment of Auditor for Coming Year.
- 11.00. Reports from Local Councils and Nationally Organised Societies.

#### ARRANGEMENTS.

NOTE.—Tuesday morning alone will be devoted to these Reports. As every Local Council has had an opportunity of presenting its Report individually for four years the Executive have decided that this year the Reports of Local Councils shall be given in through their Provincial Presidents, to each of whom will be allotted ten minutes for their Report. Every Local Council is requested to send in a copy of the report of its year's work to the Provincial President, and also a copy to Mrs. Willoughby Cummings, in order that the same may be printed in the Verbatim Report in full. Each Nationally Organised Society will be allotted five minutes for its Report.

#### SECTIONAL CONFERENCES.

Under the auspices of the

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY OF CANADA.

2.30 TO 3.30

ANNUAL MEETING OF ABERDEEN ASSOCIATION. -2 to 3.30.

NORMAL SCHOOL

## COUNCIL MEETING, 3.30 TO 5.30.

#### CONVOCATION HALL OF THE NORMAL SCHOOL.

#### CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS.

(The Resolutions will be found all together at the end of the Agenda.)

## PUBLIC MEETING, 8 P.M.

#### CONVOCATION HALL OF THE NORMAL SCHOOL.

The first part of this meeting will be devoted to the consideration of the meaning and the progress of the work of the Victorian Order of Nurses in Canada. (See page 257 of last year's Verbatim Report, and also Report of Public Meeting, page 106.) Miss Scovil, of New Brunswick, an experienced trained nurse, will be one of the speakers.

The second part will be devoted to the consideration of the rapid spread of Consumption in Canada, to the danger which the tuberculized are to the person in health, how this danger can be averted and the disease itself arrested. Dr. P. Bryce, Medical Officer of Health for Ontario, will present the facts of the case to the National Council, and desires thereby to enlist the interest and active co-operation of all Local Councils in the work of Prevention of Consumption. Dr. Bryce has prepared circulars setting forth the main points he wishes to urge and which have been distributed among the Councils. It is hoped that all our Delegates will read this Circular carefully before coming to this meeting. There will be a discussion after Dr. Bryce's address.

## WEDNESDAY MAY 18th

## COUNCIL MEETING, 10 A.M. TO 1 P.M.

CONVOCATION HALL OF THE NORMAL SCHOOL.

Presentation and Consideration of Reports relating to:

- 1. Finance Committee.—Presented by Mrs. Hoodless. (See page 245 of Verbatim Report for 1897.)
- 2. International Council.—Presented by the Countess of Aberdeen. (See pages 64-71 of Verbatim Report for 1897.)
- 3. Committee on Regulations and Methods of Election of School Trustees in different Provinces.—Presented by Mrs. Edwards. (See Report of 1897, pp. 247, 248-88-96, and Mrs. Edward's paper, p. 174.)
- 4. Committee on Number and Treatment of Feeble-minded Women in each Frovince.—Presented by Mrs. Tilley. (See pp. 253, 254 in Verbatim Report.)
- 5. The Care of the Aged Poor.—Presented by Mrs. Willoughby Cummings. (See p. 253 in Verbatim Report and paper on p. 270-272.
- 6. Provision of Work for the Poor.—Presented by Miss Reid, of Montreal. (See p. 254 and pp. 219-227 of Report.)
- In connection with these two reports the resolution sent up by Hamilton and St. John will be considered.
- 7. Literature Committee and Home Reading Circles, etc.—Presented by
- 8. Immigration.—Presented by Mrs. Cox. (See pp. 249 and 154-165.)

## SECTIONAL CONFERENCES, 2.30 to 3.30.

NORMAL SCHOOL.

Under the auspices of the

WOMAN'S ART ASSOCIATION AND OF THE DOMINION WOMEN'S ENFRANCHISEMENT ASSOCIATION.

## COUNCIL MEETING, 2.30 TO 5.30.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS.

(The Resolutions will be found at the end of Agenda.)

#### EVENING PUBLIC MEETING.

CONVOCATION HALL OF NORMAL SCHOOL, 8 P.M.

Mrs. Dunlap Hopkins, of the New York School of Applied Design, will give an Address on the Teaching of Applied Design to Women and on the new openings that such education affords to women, and will show a variety of illustrations of the work done by her pupils. There will be discussion by others on the same subject, and those interested in promoting such practical Art Education in Canada will explain what is already being done in this direction, and will indicate how it can be developed. Representatives of various Art Schools in Canada are expected, and Dr. May, Superintendent of Art Schools in Ontario, is kindly giving the National Council the benefit of his co-operation, and will be one of the speakers. Mrs. Dignam and some of her colleagues of the Women's Art Association are also expected, and are giving their valuable assistance to the organization of this interesting conference.

## THURSDAY, MAY 19th.

COUNCIL MEETING, 10 A.M. TO 1.30 P.M.

CONVOCATION HALL OF THE NORMAL SCHOOL.

The entire Session will be devoted to the consideration of "WOMEN'S WORK IN ITS RELATION TO HOME LIFE."

The heads which have been suggested for this morning's discussion, are as follows:—

- (a) Does the increase of factory, workshop and commercial occupation amongst women tend to disintegrate domestic life?
- (b) Does the education and training directly bearing on the higher development of home life, such as Domestic Science in all its departments, instruction in matters of health and sanitation, the care of young children and of the sick, receive the consideration its importance demands from educational authorities and organized bodies of women?
- (c) Apart from the value of education in Domestic and Technical Science in our Public Schools for all children, should not its importance as bearing on the problem of Domestic Service, both from the mistress's and from the servant's point of view, be considered?
- (d) Does the Higher or University Education of Women injure or benefit home life?

The discussion will be opened by Mrs. Hoodless.

Each Local Council is earnestly requested to study this question in advance, and suggest any aspects of it which they desire considered, and to send up delegates prepared to take part in the discussion.

The discussion will be opened by a resolution on the lines of the above inviting and pressing careful study of the subjects referred to before any actual action is taken.

Delegates are very heartily invited to speak and to represent the views of their Councils or Societies, but papers are not required.—As above stated the Council will not be invited to take action or to express definite opinions on the important subjects thus brought before it. But it is hoped that the result of this Session will be found in a determination on the part of its members throughout the country to realise their responsibility, and study these questions systematically.

## SECTIONAL CONFERENCE, 2.30 TO 3.30 P. M.

Under the auspices of

THE DOMINION ORDER OF THE KING'S DAUGHTERS AND SONS.

CONVOCATION HALL OF THE NORMAL SCHOOL.

## COUNCIL MEETING, 3.30 to 5.30

#### CONVOCATION HALL OF THE NORMAL SCHOOL,

Consideration of remainder of Resolutions or Reports as may be necessary.

## EVENING PUBLIC MEETING, 8 P.M.

Under the auspices of

#### THE ABERDEEN ASSOCIATION.

CONVOCATION HALL OF NORMAL SCHOOL

An account of the work of the Association and testimony of its value will be presented by various speakers. It is hoped that as many members of the Council will attend as possible.

## FRIDAY, MAY 20th.

## PRIVATE MEETING OF COUNCIL

10 A.M. TO 1.30 P.M.

This meeting has been arranged for the consideration and discussion of any difficulties which may have arisen in the experience of the various Local Councils or National Societies, or for conference on methods and plans which may further the usefulness of the National Council.

Will delegates read Report of Private Meeting of Council at Halifax pp. 189-209 of verbatim report?

A Question Box will be placed outside the Convocation Hall during the Council meetings into which any members of Council can place questions they desire to be brought up at this meeting.

It is also suggested that the committee which have been appointed to consider the following resolution sent in by Mrs. Drummond should report to this Private Meeting of Council:—

Resolved, "That each Local Council and Nationally Organized Society be asked to take into consideration the evident and growing need, especially in large cities, for a better conception and regulation of Women's social life and obligations, in order that unnecessary pressure may be removed, energy economized and directed and opportunity correspondingly enlarged;

And further be it resolved, that a Sub-Committee consisting of one delegate from each Local Council and Nationally Organized Society be appointed to meet

during the Annual Meeting to consider this question, more especially as it regards the regulation of such recognized duties as social entertainment and calls—and that this Committee be empowered to pass resolutions and take further action as they may deem advisable."

It is earnestly requested that the member appointed by each Local Council for this Committee will come—having considered the above subject—able to give information regarding the opinions and feeling of the ladies of her own community on the question.

Luncheon to Delegates given by the Ottawa Local Council.

## SECTIONAL CONFERENCE, 2.30 TO 3.30.

Arranged by special request of

#### THE HUMANE SOCIETIES,

NORMAL SCHOOL.

The remainder of the afternoon will be left free for Delegates to visit the Houses of Parliament or to take the trip kindly arranged by the Ottawa Electric Car Co. starting from the Post Office at 4 p.m., unless there remains any other Council work for which an extra Session must be arranged.

## FAREWELL EVENING MEETING, 8 P.M.

CONVOCATION HALL OF THE NORMAL SCHOOL.

The President will deliver a Closing Address, and other speakers will follow.

## SATURDAY, MAY 21st.

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE, 10 A.M. TO 1.30 P.M.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

Luncheon at 2 p.m., to which all Members of Executive are cordially invited by Their Excellencies.

# List of Resolutions Received for Agenda of Annual Meeting of National Council, with Notices of Amendments from Local Councils and National Societies.

I-AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION.
I"That in Article V. of the Constitution of the National Council of Women of Canada the word 'biennially' should be substituted for 'annually."
Name of Mover
" Seconder
Sent by Halifax and Dartmouth Local Council. (See p. 205 of Verbatim Report of 1897.)
II.—"That Article IV. of the Constitution for Local Councils be changed admit two representatives from all affiliated Societies, who, with the Presiden of the same and the general officers, shall form the Executive Committee, thereincreasing the interest and extending the influence of the work of the Loc Councils."
Name of Mover
" Seconder
Sent by Halifax and Dartmouth Local Council.
II-AMENDMENT TO STANDING ORDERS.
"That a Standing Order be added for the use of both the National an Local Councils, providing that Local Councils do not bring any matters before Provincial Legislatures without first receiving the endorsement of the Executive Council to the National Council, and in cases of emergency, that the matter be laid before the President of the National Council by letter or telegram, if necessary, an eff to her decision."
Placed on Agenda by Executive in pursuance of resolution passed lastear.
Name of Mover

(See pp 197-202 of Verbatim Report for 1897.)

#### Amendments to Resolution II.

1. "That after the words 'Provincial Legislatures' be substituted the words 'without first securing the co-operation of the other Local Councils of the Province, and in cases of emergency, that the matter be laid before the Provincial Vice-President by letter or telegram, if necessary, and left to her decision,' the President of the National Council being duly notified."

Proposed by the Kingston Local Council.

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2. ''That a be struck out.'	all words after the words 'Executive Committee of the National Council,
Name of	Mover
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Proposed	by the Montreal Local Council.
	and St. John Local Councils have given notice that they will
oppose the ad	dition of this proposed Standing Order.
III. ESTA	ABLISHMENT OF BOARDS OF ASSOCIATED CHARITIES.
Boards of Asso greater benefit agencies; that	National Council of Women of Canada promote the establishment of sciated Charities in cities which are yet without them, in order that may be accomplished by the co-operation of charitable societies and teases of need may more readily be discovered and assisted, and that y be exposed and prevented."
	St. John Local Council.
Name of	Mover
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(See Rep National Cou	ort of paper read by Mrs. Erskine Bronson at First Meeting of ncil.)

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#### Amendment to Resolution III.

"That the above re olution be amended by adding thereto the following words: 'That in conjunction with such organizations, some work tests, such as wood yards, sewing rooms and laundries, are essential, and that all such remedial plans as Latour Bureaus, Savings Banks and Allotments, should be carefully developed.'"

Proposed by the Montreal Local Council.

Name of Mover
" Seconder
IV. RELIEF OF THE POOR AND UNEMPLOYED.
"Whereas: This perplexing problem being always before us, a knot hard to tangle, and fully convinced that the only solution is in self dependence, and dependence, and believing it to be the duty and responsibility of Government unicipality and individual to consider the needs of a large part of the population of arrange for their self-protection. Therefore, be it resolved that the followin inciples be adopted as a basis for the emancipation of our suffering brothers and sters from the thraldom of distress and pauperism:  (a) The endorsation of the Colonization Scheme, including County Industria Homes.  (b) That the Associated Charity plan is the most practical for relief, including Labor Bureaus and Savings Banks.  (c) That Women's Exchanges or Industrial Rooms be established whereeve practicable, for an outlay of handiwork.  (d) That the Potato Patch plan having been proven so successful, is worthy of a continued trial."
Sent by the Hamilton Local Council.
Name of Mover
" Seconder,
SUGGESTION FROM MONTREAL LOCAL COUNCIL.
"That, inasmuch as the essential provisions of this Resolution are embodied in a preceding Resolution III, as amended by the Montreal Local Council, the

"That, inasmuch as the essential provisions of this Resolution are embodied in the preceding Resolution III, as amended by the Montreal Local Council, the Hamilton Local Council be asked to accept the St. John Resolution as amended by Montreal resolution."

# V. PROTECTION OF BIRDS AND ANIMALS FROM DESTRUCTION IN INTERESTS OF FASHION.

"That Local Councils be invited to co-operate in measures for the protection of song-birds, birds of brilliant plumage, and others, such as ospreys and egrets, and of animals such as the Persian Sheep now cruelly slaughtered (often in breeding season and at the expense of mother life,) to satisfy the demand of fashion."

Proposed by the London Local Council. Name of Mover Seconder..... Amendment to Resolution V "That the proposed resolution, be amended to read as follows: -"That Local Councils be invited to co-operate in measures for the protection of animal and bird life from useless destruction in the interest of fashion." Proposed by Montreal Local Council. Seconder..... VI. PUBLICATION OF DETAILS OF CRIMINAL CASES. "That the National Council invite the Local Councils to unite in protesting against the publication of needlessly minute details of criminal cases on the ground that such publication must have a demoralising influence, especially on the young people who are readers of newspapers." Proposed by the Kingston Local Council. Name of Mover..... Seconder.... (See Report of discussion on this subject, at Second Annual Meeting at Toronto.) Amendments to Resolution VI. "That the following words be added: - "And that the cordial thanks of this National Council are due to those newspapers that are now excluding from their pages the objectionable matter aforesaid." Proposed by the Toronto Local Council.

Seconder.....

"That the proposed resolution be amended by striking therefrom the words "needlessly minute details," and substituting therefor the words 'sensational accounts."

# VII.—INCREASE OF CRIME AND NECESSITY FOR MORAL INSTRUCTION OF CHILDREN.

"That in consideration of the rapid increase of crime in Canada, which has been called by one of our leading papers 'A Deluge of Crime,' The National Council should petition the Educational Authorities of the various Provinces to make the moral training of the children in our Public Schools a subject of special attention, so that they may be early impressed with right principles of action, and have some idea of the duties of good citizenship; and that to this end there should be hung in every Schoolroom, placards containing copies of the laws most commonly transgressed by the young (such as offences against property, trees, plants, dumb animals, in regard to lighting fires, etc.) and that the teachers should from time to time impress the children with the importance of observing them, and of maintaining the good order of the community."

1. "That the following words be substituted for the words of the above resolution: "That as there is grave reason for fearing that the moral training of the youth of Canada is not receiving sufficient attention, and as the training of good citizens must begin in the homes and in the schools of the country, the National Council of Women of Canada pledges itself through its Local Councils and Nationally Organiz. ed Societies to strive to induce a greater sense of responsibility amongst parents and to bring about more co-operation between parents and teachers, by means of conferences, Parents Unions and otherwise, so that more stress may be laid on wise moral teaching and more effect made to impress the duties of good citizenship on the youth of this Dominion."

Proposed by Ottawa Local Council.

Name of Mover, Miss Harmon;

" Seconder, Mrs. Hamilton.

that the sentence run thus:—'have some ideas of the duties of good citizenship, and of maintaining the good order of the community.'"
Proposed by Victoria Local Council.
Name of Mover
" Seconder
3. "Moved, to insert after the word 'containing' these words, 'the Ten Commandments' and to read thus:— should be hung up in every Schoolroom placards containing the Ten Commandments and copies of the laws most commonly broken by the young."  Proposed by London Local Council
Name of Mover
" Seconder
4. "That the word 'Public' before School be omitted and that all the word after 'Citizenship' be omitted and the following be inserted: "That the importanc of parents co-operating with teachers be urged."
Proposed by Hamilton Local Council.
Name of Mover

5. "Resolved, that the proposed resolution be amended by omitting the words in consideration of the rapid increase of crime in Canada," which has been called by one of our leading papers 'a deluge of crime,' and that the words 'in regard to lighting fires' be changed to in regard to incendiary fires."

Seconder.....

Name of Mover....

Proposed by Montreal Council.

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#### VIII-BUYING OF CHINESE WOMEN AS SLAVES.

"Whereas the British law forbids the buying and selling of human beings and the holding of the same in bondage after they land in Great Britain or any of her colonies, and whereas there is good reason to believe that young girls are sometimes purchased in China and imported into British Columbia and are sold as slaves in this Province, even to the buying and selling of the same by Chinamen. Therefore, be it resolved, that the National Council of Women of Canada do petition the Dominion Government to order an impartial investigation, and we would humbly suggest that copies of the law pertaining to slavery be printed and kept posted in conspicuous places, such as Custom and Court Houses, Post Offices and Police Stations throughout the Province, and such efforts be made as may seem advisable to put a stop to the iniquitous traffic. And further, that the Chinese be compelled to comply with our laws in regard to Coroners' inquests over sudden deaths. And further, that wherever possible, interpreters who are men of the Anglo-Saxon race and of unimpeachable reputation be employed in Courts of law."

Sent by the Victoria Local Council.

Name of Mover	
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" Seconder	
Amendments to F	Resolution VIII.
1. "That the words of the Immigration words impartial investigation," to read to into the Immigration of Chinese Women	hus: 'To order an impartial investig
Proposed by the London Local Coun	cil.
Name of Mover	
" Seconder	
2. "That in addition to the meas itish law relative to slavery should be tran- ng in the places named, and that all Could be compelled to teach the same."	slated into the Chinese language, an
Proposed by Vancouver Local Counc	il.
Name of Mover	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••
Seconder	

#### IX-ADOPTION OF PEACE FLAG.

A Communication having been received from the Countess di Brazza on behalf of the Universal Peace Union, suggesting that the National Council of Women of Canada do adopt the Peace Flag as an emblem of Peace and Arbitration, the question was referred to a Sub-Committee, whose report runs as follows:—

And whereas the Parliament of the Mother Country and also the Parliament of this Dominion have passed strong resolutions endorsing the principle of Peace and Arbitration, and whereas the National Council of Women at its first Annual Meeting passed a resolution unanimously to the same effect, this Sub-Committee beg to recommend to the Executive Committee that the following resolution be submitted to the next Annual Meeting of the Council as likely to further the recognition of the principles to which the Council is already pledged:

"That the National Council of Women of Canada accept the Peace Flag and adopt the same for use as the emblem of Peace of the Brotherhood of Man and of International Co-operation Work."

Proposed by Executive.

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#### X-DATE AND PLACE OF NEXT ANNUAL MEETING.

Invitations have been received in the following order of date from:

- 1. Victoria Local Council,
- 2. Hamilton Local Council,
- 3. Winnipeg Local Council,
- 4. Vancouver Local Council.

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## LIST OF DELEGATES.

# OFFICERS OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN OF CANADA WHO WILL BE PRESENT.

President,	
Vice-President	tsLady Laurier, 335 Theodore Street
	Lady Thompson, care of Her Excel- lency the Countess of Aberdeen.
	ce-Presidents—
Ontario	Mrs. Boomer, care of Mrs. Tilton,
Quebec	Represented by Mrs. H. C. Scott.
Nova Sco	tia. do Miss Parsons, care of Mrs. Geo. May, Frank Street.
New Brun	nswick Lady Tilley, care of Government House.
Manitoba.	
	224 Maria Street.
	lward IslandLady Davies, 236 Metcalfe Street
	g Secretary Mrs. Willoughby Cummings, The Russell House
_	cretaryMrs. Edward Griffin, The Russell House
Treasurer.,	Mrs. Hoodless, care of Mrs. Larmonth,
DELEGATE	S TO THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN OF CANADA.
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